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In re application of:

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 27, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.